MCPB No. 20-109

Acquisition of the Farquhar-Bennett Property as an Addition to Black Hill Regional Park

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission ("Commission") is authorized by Md. Code Ann., Land Use §17-101 (formerly Article 28, Section 5-101), to acquire, develop, maintain and operate a public park system within the Maryland-Washington Metropolitan District; and

WHEREAS, the Montgomery County Planning Board received and considered a recommendation from staff of the Commission, in closed session on October 1, 2020, that it approve the acquisition of 18.54 acres of land, more or less, improved, from Elizabeth H. Farquhar, Trustee under The Elizabeth H. Farquhar Revocable Trust U/A dated October 9, 1990, as Amended and Restated January 2, 2007, and Jacob Bennett (collectively, "Seller"), identified as Maryland Department of Assessment and Taxation’s Tax Account Numbers 02-00027783, 02-02171940, and 02-02171951 (the "Property"), as an addition to Black Hill Regional Park; and

WHEREAS, the Property meets parkland acquisition criteria as an addition to Black Hill Regional Park; and

WHEREAS, there are sufficient Program Open Space grants available in the Commission’s FY21 Acquisition: Local CIP to pay the $743,000 negotiated purchase price for the Property; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the acquisition of the Property from the Seller as described above, for a purchase price of $743,000, in accordance with a proposed Land Purchase Agreement between the Commission and Seller, is hereby approved by the Montgomery County Planning Board on this 8th day of October, 2020 and the Executive Director is authorized to execute said Agreement on behalf of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission.

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This is to certify the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Montgomery County Planning Board of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission on motion of Commissioner Gerald Cichy, seconded by Commissioner Partap Verma, with Chair Anderson, Vice Chair Fani-Gonzalez, and Commissioners Cichy, Verma, and Patterson voting in favor of the motion voting in favor of the motion, at its regular meeting held on Thursday, October 8, 2020 in Silver Spring, Maryland.

Casey Anderson, Chair
Montgomery County Planning Board